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In re the Application of: Ekkehard KORNER, et al. Serial No.: 10/508,878

Filed: December 22, 2004

Group Art Unit: 3725

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For:

METHOD FOR PRODUCING AN MULAR ELEMENT COMPRISING AN INNER TOOTHING, ESPECIALLY A SLIDING SLEEVE, AND A DEVICE

FOR CARRYING OUT THE METHOD

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Response to Restriction Requirement for filing in the above-captioned patent application.

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Sir:

In response to the Requirement for Restriction mailed February 2, 2006 (Paper No. 20060127), please amend the captioned application as set forth herein.